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POLAND: Mutual Recriminations

The regime and Solidarity are blaming each other for the failure of the most recent round of talks, and strikes and other demonstrations apparently will continue for some time. [REDACTED]

In one of its most harshly worded criticisms to date, the regime accused union leader Walesa of displaying "unprecedented arrogance" and of not being interested in lessening tensions. A Solidarity spokesman quickly rejected the charges and also appealed to union chapters to avoid strikes until the union's National Consultative Commission meets on Monday to coordinate programs. [REDACTED]

Some strikes and hunger demonstrations already planned may take place despite this plea. The Solidarity spokesman also threatened that the union may consider a nationwide strike around the end of this month. [REDACTED]

The Polish party meanwhile has announced that party leader Kania has been ill for three days and that this is the reason for the postponement of the Central Committee plenum until Tuesday. According to the announcement, Kania is not seriously ill; there are no further details available about the nature of his illness. The foreign editor of the Polish news agency told [REDACTED] yesterday that Kania and Premier Jaruzelski will be invited to meet with President Brezhnev in the Crimea during the second or third week of this month. [REDACTED]

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